

The Names of God

Series Introduction, Part 1

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Our ability to trust God is linked to our understanding of His name through scripture.

Psalm 9:10 Those who know your name will trust in you, for you, LORD, have never forsaken those who seek you.

Understanding our position in God as followers of Christ is essential as we face the realities of life and come before Him in prayer. As we go through this series on *The Names of God*, keep in mind the definition of the word *NAME*: A word or words by which an entity is designated and distinguished from others.

1.) The name of God is authoritative

Psalm 44:4 You are my King and my God, who decrees victories for Jacob. ⁵Through you we push back our enemies; through your name we trample our foes.

Proverbs 18:10 The name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.

Psalm 111:9 He provided redemption for his people; he ordained his covenant forever- holy and awesome is his name.

2.) The name of God is to be revered & praised

Psalm 111:10 (NLT) Reverence for the LORD is the foundation of true wisdom. The rewards of wisdom come to all who obey him. Praise his name forever!

Exodus 20:7 You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

Leviticus 22:32 Do not profane my holy name. I must be acknowledged as holy by the Israelites. I am the LORD, who makes you holy

Micali 4:5 All the nations may walk in the name of their gods; we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever.

Psalm 34:3 Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.

Matthew 6:9 "This, then, is how you should pray: " 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

Psalm 44:6-8 I do not trust in my bow, my sword does not bring me victory; ⁷but you give us victory over our enemies, you put our adversaries to shame. ⁸In God we make our boast all day long, and we will praise your name forever. *Selah*

Psalm 72:17 May his name endure forever; may it continue as long as the sun. All nations will be blessed through him, and they will call him blessed.

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In God's redemptive relationship to mankind a variety of compound names of Jehovah are found. As we look at these names we will discover that God is well able to meet every need we have from that of salvation, through and to the end of life itself.

Some of the compound names we will look at in the next few weeks are,

Jehovah-Elohim	The Lord eternal
Jehovah-jireh	the Lord will provide
Jehovah-rapha	the Lord who heals
Jehova-nissi	the Lord is my banner
Jehovah-shalom	the Lord our peace
Jehoyah-tsidkenu	the Lord Our Righteousness
Jehovah-shammah	the Lord is present

Heavenly Father, thank you that I can put my faith and trust in you. Praise your Name! You never change! You are the same yesterday, today and forever. You are not like others that have forgotten, broken, or do not have the power to keep their promises.

As an act of my will I choose to live a life that honors You. I choose to walk in faith toward you and ask that my faith in you be strengthen day by day. Amen